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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

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 - Statement Verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. [XX] Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s)) to: PIONEER CORPORATION, Tokyo, Japan. Please publish the assignee data with the application.

9. [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

[XX] Power of Attorney

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10. [] English translation Document (if applicable)						
11. [] Information Disclosure Statement [] Copies of IDS Citations						
12. [] Preliminary Amendment						
13. [XX] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)						
14. [] Small Entity Status is claimed.						
15. [XX] Claim for Convention Priority [1] Certified copy of Priority Document is enclosed a. Priority of <u>Japanese</u> application no. <u>2002-273588</u> filed on <u>September 19, 2002</u> is claimed under 35 USC 119.						
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